

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

UNSAFE HEARING BOARD

FEBRUARY 7, 2017

5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Unsafe Hearing Board of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Ron Jarman arrived after the roll was called. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

PUBLIC HEARING 301 E 2nd Street: Chief Jenkins handed out documentation regarding this property. The first meeting in January he handed out the assessment report. Notice was sent to remove the structure and the notice was signed for on January 10.

The owner was present along with their attorney, Sean Roth. A copy of the assessment report was provided in the handout. Jenkins said in his opinion after reviewing the report the structure should be removed. He said most of the areas of concern are significant issues.

Attorney Roth stated that according to the Unsafe Building Code the building does not warrant removal. Roth asked that the City adhere to the statute.

Newhouse said Flynn shall follow all rules specified when the agreement was signed. Newhouse said the building should remain locked and secure. It should be free of imminent collapse, and free of fire hazards.

Jenkins stated that the general condition of the building is in trouble. It does not meet the building code. There are significant issues and the building is not secure.

Jenkins read from the report what issues were found. The report shows it is an unsafe structure. Jenkins asked to introduce the packet he provided to be attached to the minutes.

Newhouse asked if they could provide a schedule for repairs. Roth said they were not prepared to discuss that today.

Williams moved to close the public hearing. McGowan seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

MINUTES: Cameron moved to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2017 meeting as presented. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **BEP Update Round 1** – Chief Jenkins said the buildings are currently being removed. He said they hope to have everything complete by mid-March.
2. **BEP Update Award \$176,000.00** – The City has been approved the award of \$176,000.00 for removal of 9 residential structures. Letters have been sent to owners for negotiation.
3. **202 West 3rd** – The owners received certified mail, but the occupants refused the mail. Jenkins will advertise then move forward with a hearing.
4. **129-141 West 1st** – Jenkins said there has been no further movement of the gauges.
5. **301 East 2nd** – Williams made a motion to affirm the order. Motion died for lack of second.

McGowan made a motion to modify the order to give 60 days to bring a design plan and timeline by an engineer to this board. After discussion McGowan amended his motion to give 30 days instead of 60. McGowan once again amended his motion to give the owners until the March 21st meeting to bring a design plan and timeline by an engineer to this Board. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; Williams moved to adjourn. McGowan seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.